

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

SUNG KOOK (BILL) HWANG AND
PATRICK HALLIGAN,

Defendants.

Criminal Action No. 22-240

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**LOCAL RULE 1.3 AFFIDAVIT OF
THOMAS R. VALEN**

I, Thomas R. Valen, hereby declare:

1. I am an attorney with the law firm of Gibbons P.C.
2. I submit this affidavit in support of my motion for admission to practice *pro hac vice* in the above-captioned matter.
3. As shown in the attached Certificate of Good Standing, I am a member in good standing of the bars of the State of New Jersey and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
4. I have never been convicted of a felony.
5. I have never been censured, suspended, disbarred, or denied admission or readmission by any court.
6. There are no pending disciplinary proceedings presently against me.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: May 9, 2022

By: s/Thomas R. Valen
Thomas R. Valen, Esq.

Supreme Court of New Jersey



Certificate of Good Standing

This is to certify that **Thomas R Valen**
(No. **028271994**) *was constituted and appointed an Attorney at Law of New Jersey on* **December 19, 1994** *and, as such, has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court and all other courts of this State as an Attorney at Law, according to its laws, rules, and customs.*

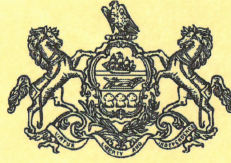
I further certify that as of this date, the above-named is an Attorney at Law in Good Standing. For the purpose of this Certificate, an attorney is in "Good Standing" if the Court's records reflect that the attorney: 1) is current with all assessments imposed as a part of the filing of the annual Attorney Registration Statement, including, but not limited to, all obligations to the New Jersey Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection; 2) is not suspended or disbarred from the practice of law; 3) has not resigned from the Bar of this State; and 4) has not been transferred to Disability Inactive status pursuant to Rule 1:20-12.

Please note that this Certificate does not constitute confirmation of an attorney's satisfaction of the administrative requirements of Rule 1:21-1(a) for eligibility to practice law in this State.

*In testimony whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and
affixed the Seal of the
Supreme Court, at Trenton, this
3rd day of May, 2022.*



Heather J. Sale
Clerk of the Supreme Court



Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

Thomas Robert Valen, Esq.

DATE OF ADMISSION

February 24, 1995

The above named attorney was duly admitted to the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and is now a qualified member in good standing.



Witness my hand and official seal

Dated: May 3, 2022

Elizabeth E. Zisk

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Chief Clerk